



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Purchase of Soft Body Armor (Ballistic Vests) for the Police Department (\$13,307.13)

MEETING DATE: April 20, 1994

PREPARED BY: Police Chief

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the purchase of 25 Safariland® ballistic vests from LC Action Police Supply of San Jose, under terms of a purchase agreement between LC Action and the County of Contra Costa, in the amount of \$13,307.13.

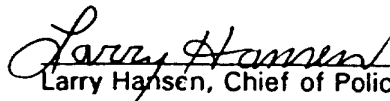
BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The current Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Lodi and the Police Officers Association of Lodi (Article XVI, Section 16.5, paragraph a.) provides that the City "replace all ballistic vests prior to the end of the... vests' fifth year." Accordingly, the Police Department is initiating a three-year replacement program; this purchase represents the first phase of the program.

As a result of officer testing, the Department selected Safariland's Hyper-Lite IIIA vest as the safest, most comfortable, and most reliable ballistic vest for use by our officers.

Because vest manufacturers rarely give significant price discounts on purchases of fewer than a hundred vests, the Purchasing Department contacted Safariland and requested authorization to "piggy-back" on a larger California agency's contract. Through cooperation with Safariland, LC Action Police Supply provided access to the Contra Costa County agreement, which currently offers nearly 40% off retail price for the Hyper-Lite IIIA vest.

Since the Contra Costa County bid procedure is in conformance with the City of Lodi's procedure, and Lodi Municipal Code Section 3.20.040 allows such a purchase with City Council approval, it is recommended that the City Council authorize the purchase of 25 vests from Safariland's San Jose distributor, LC Action Police Supply, in the amount of \$494.00 per vest (including fitting and delivery), plus tax, or \$13,307.13.

FUNDING: Funding for this purchase is included in the Department's account for safety equipment.


Larry Hansen, Chief of Police

APPROVED: 

THOMAS A. PETERSON
City Manager



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RESOLUTION NO. 94-36

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWENTY-FIVE SAFARILAND
BALLISTIC VESTS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Lodi Municipal Code, Section 3.20.070, authorizes dispensing with bids for purchases of supplies, services or equipment when it is in the best interests of the City to do so; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lodi City Council hereby authorizes the purchase of twenty-five Safariland Ballistic Vests from LC Action Police Supply of San Jose, under the terms of a purchase agreement between LC Action and the County of Contra Costa, in the amount of \$13,307.13.

Dated: April 20, 1994

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 94-36 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held April 20, 1994 by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members - Davenport, Mann, Pennino and
Sieglock (Mayor)

Noes: Council Members - None

Absent: Council Members - Snider


Jennifer M. Perrin
City Clerk

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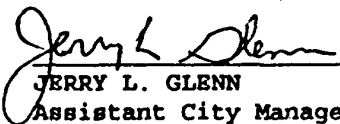
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MEMORANDUM FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER

To: Honorable Mayor & City Councilmembers
From: Jerry Glenn, Assistant City Manager
Date: April 22, 1994
Subject: Old Body Armor

During the discussion at the April 20, 1994 Council meeting, Councilmember Davenport asked what happens to old body armor. Both Lt. McDaniel and I responded that it would be discarded. In reviewing the Police Officer's MOU, I find that we have agreed "to the extent possible the City will place the above exchanged body armor panels into the doors of all patrol and detective vehicles." Section 16.5C.

We have not began to replace body armor, we do not know the practicality nor the extent possible to do this.


JERRY L. GLENN
Assistant City Manager

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